



Spirit of the Mountains

2006 P H O T O C O N T E S T

*Share the wonder of
Santa Monica Mountains
National Recreation Area
with others. Enter the
spirit of the Mountains
Photo Contest. Let your
photographic imagination
capture the essence of
this hidden jewel.*

Entry Requirements

Open to amateur photographers only.

Submit only photos of Santa Monica Mountains Zone.

Digital or film prints are acceptable.

Entries accepted September 1 - September 30, 2006.

Categories

1. Plants
2. Animals
3. Scenic Shots
4. Young Photographers (12 years and younger)
5. People in Parklands
6. Elements of Change (Earth, wind, fire, and water)

Winning Entries

First, second and third place ribbons will be awarded in each category. Winners will be announced at 2pm, October 7, 2006 at the opening of the 2006 Photo Exhibit.

Prizes

First Place winners will be published in *OUTDOORS*, our quarterly calendar of events and programs with an average circulation of 25,000 issues. *OUTDOORS* is also published in PDF format at www.nps.gov/samo. Second and Third place winners may have a small inset photo published in *OUTDOORS* as space permits.

Entries will be exhibited from October 7 until November 30, 2006 at the National Park Service Visitor Center in Thousand Oaks.

Entry Form (attach one form per entry. Must be submitted between September 1 through September 30, 2006)

Name

Address

City, State, Zip

Phone

Email

Category (check one)

☐ Plants

☐ Animals

☐ Scenic Shots

☐ Young Photographers

☐ People in Parklands

☐ Elements of Change

Site where photo was taken

Photo equipment used

Title of Entry (optional)

Signature

My signature on this entry verifies that I have read and will comply with the Rules and Regulations for this contest and that I give permission to have my winning photos published in OUTDOORS and in the PDF format of OUTDOORS posted on the park's website. The rules and regulations are on the park website and listed below.

For Gov't Use Only ID Number:

Date Received:

Rules and Regulations

- Amateur photographers only.
- Paid employees of the National Park Service are excluded from contest participation.
- Digital and film prints are acceptable.
- Photos can be taken on federal, state, county, city, or other public agency property, so long as the photo is taken within the Santa Monica Mountains Zone. The Zone includes the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area and associated watersheds and canyons as defined on pages 20 and 23 of the Santa Monica Mountains General Management Plan at <http://planning.nps.gov/document/samofgmp1a.pdf>
- Demonstrate good stewardship of the mountains by entering photos that depict approved visitor use and park resource protection per administering agency regulations.
- We will make every possible effort to safeguard the prints in our secure headquarters building, but we can not be responsible in case of natural disaster or other unforeseen events.
- Winning photos that will be published in *OUTDOORS* may need to be cropped to fit or shown as a detail. The winners will be asked to submit their original digital file or slide for use in *OUTDOORS*.
- If people are visible in winning photos, the photographer will need to have releases from those people before the photo can be published in *OUTDOORS*. *Release forms will be available on the park photo website: www.nps.gov/samo/photo*
- If a private house or building is clearly identifiable in a photo, it too needs to have a release from the owner before publication.
- We will attempt to exhibit all entries, but the number may be curtailed due to space limitations. In the event of limited entries in a particular category, the number of winners will be reduced.
- We are not responsible for mailed entries that are lost or damaged in transit.

Print Return

Entries can be picked up at the National Park Service Visitor Center from December 1, 2006 until December 31, 2006. Any entry not picked up by December 31, 2006 becomes property of the National Park Service.

Submission Format

- Submit entry as a matted print. Prints that are 5" x 7" are too small for this exhibit. Prints (excluding mat) can range from 8" x 8", 7" x 10", 8" x 10" up to 11" x 17".
- A matted print means that your photo should have a surrounding paper border, window mat, or be mounted on stiff board. Frames with glass are not accepted. The photo itself may be a glossy or matte finish.
- Attach two or more pieces of good Velcro to the back of your entry so we can attach your entry to our fabric covered panels for the exhibit. Velcro can be purchased at hobby and craft stores.
- Use one entry form per print. Cut out entry form and loosely attach it by one piece of tape to the back of the print. We will assign an identification number to each print and separate prints and forms for the judging.
- Photographers can submit up to two entries per each category with a limit of 8 entries total for the entire contest. Young photographers (age 12 and under) can submit up to four entries in their category.
- Submit entries in person or by mail between September 1 through September 30, 2006 at the National Park Service Visitor Center, 401 West Hillcrest Dr., Thousand Oaks, CA 91360, Attention: Photo Contest. (Mailed entries must be received by September 30, 2006.

Announcement of Winners

Winners announced and awards given at the exhibit opening, Saturday, October 8, 2006 at 2pm.

Exhibit Dates

Entries will be exhibited for two months at the National Park Service Visitor Center in Thousand Oaks, CA. The exhibit opens on October 7 and closes November 30, 2006.

For More Entry Forms

This form may be photocopied. Additional forms available at the National Park Service Visitor Center or visit: www.nps.gov/samo/photo
If you encounter problems with our website, call our visitor center at 805-370-2301 for assistance.

Questions

National Park Service
Visitor Center
(open 9am to 5pm daily)
805-370-2301

